

A native of Patuxent River, MD, Lt. Col. Bethany Lenderman was commissioned in 1988 as a military intelligence officer. Her first assignment was to the Rhode Island Army National Guard where she served as Battalion Information and Public Relations Officer and a Military Intelligence Officer from 1988 to 1991. She then moved to the 11 82nd United States Army Transportation Terminal Unit as a Safety and Security Officer.

She deployed in June of 1991 to Dammam, Saudi Arabia where she served as the assistant S2 for the Military Traffic Management Command, Southwest Asia. Upon return to the USA TTU, she continued to serve as the Safety and Security Officer until 1993. She returned to the Rhode Island Army National Guard to serve as the Public Affairs Officer in the State Area Command in 1993.

She spent much of 1994 in the Control Group Reinforcement. In September of 1994, she served as the Public Affairs Officer for the 361st Civil Affairs Brigade, Pensacola FL. In 1995, she moved to Mountain View, California to serve as the S1 for the 445th Civil Affairs Battalion for the next two years.

In 1998, she deployed to Bosnia to become the Plans and Operations Officer, G5 Plan, Multi National Division, SE. In February of 1998, she returned to the 445th Civil Affairs Battalion and continued serving as Battalion S1.

In October of 1998, she served for two years as the Theater Engagement Planner, United States Joint Forces Command in Norfolk VA. In January of 2001, she became the Concept Development and Experimentation Coordinator for the Supreme Allied Command Atlantic in Norfolk VA. In October 2001, she served as the Theater Security Cooperation Planner for the United States Joint Forces Command. She served in this position for two years.

In 2003, she served as the Civil Affairs Exercise Planner, United States Army Japan. She returned to the United States in 2004 and served as the Contingency Sourcing Planner of J35, United States Joint Forces Command. She served in this position until 2006. In February of 2006, she served as the Command Group Task Manager, J7, Joint Forces Command.

In July of 2006, she was stationed in Hawaii where she served as the Pandemic Influenza Plans Officer, J57, United States Pacific Army Command. She served in this position until the end of 2007. In January 2008, she was deployed to Djibouti Africa as the Mission Commander of 354th Civil Affairs Brigade, FXSP. She served in this position for one year.

In March of 2009, she returned to Norfolk, VA to serve as the Intelligence Planner for the JECC. In February of 2010, she deployed to Afghanistan as the Deputy J5, JTF-435 (Detention Ops). In August of 2010, she returned to Norfolk VA to the United States joint Forces Command, where she served on the Transition Planning Team and became the Transition Planner and Deputy J9 Plans. She held these positions until March of 2012.

In March of 2012, she assumed command of the 2nd Battalion, 311th Regiment (Combat Support/ Combat Service Support), 4th Cavalry Brigade, 1st Army Division East at Fort Bragg NC.

Lenderman received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics and French from the University of Rhode Island. Her military education includes Basic Airborne, Military Intelligence Officer Basic, Security Management Course, Transportation Officer Advance Course, Civil Affairs Officer Advance Course, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, United States Army Command and General Staff College, Sub-Saharan Africa Course, Joint Enabling Capabilities Planner Course, Advanced Joint Professional Military Education, Defense Support to Civil Authorities Course, and she is currently enrolled in the United States Army War College.

Her awards and decorations include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Army Forces Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terror Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terror Service Medal, Southwest Asia Service Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Army Service Ribbon, Army Reserve Components Overseas Training Ribbon, ISAF NATO Medal, NATO Medal, Kuwait Liberation Medal, Joint Meritorious Unit Commendation, Meritorious Unit Commendation, Parachutist Badge, and German Bronze Parachutist Badge.